



FTS/AO CAREER PATH (AW)



Aviation Ordnancemen are aircraft armament (weapons) specialists in charge of storing, servicing, inspecting and handling all types of weapons and ammunition carried on Navy aircraft.

YEARS OF SERVICE	CAREER MILESTONES	AVERAGE TIME TO PROMOTE	COMMISSIONING OR OTHER SPECIAL PROGRAMS	SEA/SHORE ROTATION	TYPICAL CAREER PATH DEVELOPMENT
26-30	AOCM	24.9 Yrs	CMC	36	Follow-on Shore Tours
23-26	AOCM AOCS	24.9 Yrs 18.3	CMC, CSC, CWO, Detailing, ECM	48	4 th Sea Tour Billet: CSC/CMC/Dept LCPO. Duty: Squadron/Ship's Co.
20-23	AOCM AOCS AOC	24.9 Yrs 18.3 14	CMC, CSC, CWO, Detailing, ECM	42	3 rd Shore Tour Billet: LCPO/Inspector/Staff. Duty: NMC/AIMD/Type WING/TYCOM/NAVAIR/NP C. Qualification: SEA.
16-20	AOCS AOC AO1	18.3 Yrs 14 10.6	MECP, OCS, LDO, CWO, CSC, RDC, Equal Opportunity Advisor, Drug and Alcohol Counselor, Command Fitness Leader, SAPR	48	3 rd Sea Tour Billet: Maint Cont/QA/Div LCPO. Duty: Squadron/Ship's Co/CVW Staff.
12-16	AOC AO1	14 Yrs 10.6		42	2 nd Shore Tour Billet: Prod Sup/ Instructor/Staff. Duty: AIMD/NRC/RDC. Qualification: LCPO NAVLEAD.
8-12	AO1 AO2	10.6 Yrs 5.3		48	2 nd Sea Tour Billet: WC Sup/Div LPO/QA. Duty: Squadron/Ship's Co. Qualification: EAWS/LPO NAVLEAD.
4-8	AO1 AO2 AO3	10.6 Yrs 5.3 2.6	MECP, STA-21, Naval Academy, NROTC, LDO, RDC	42	1 st Shore Tour Billet: Maint/Weps Tech/WC. Sup/Instructor/Special Programs. Duty: FRC. Qualification: CDI/CDQAR/ QAR.
1-4	AO3 AOAN	2.6 Yrs 1.0	MECP, STA-21, Naval Academy, NROTC	48	1 st Sea Tour Billet: Maint/Weps Technician/Plane Captain. Duty: Squadron. Qualification: EAWS/CDI/ Plane Captain/Supervisor.
1+/-	AOAN AOAA	9 Months			Recruit Training (8 weeks) /"A" School (4 weeks) /"C" School for aircraft platform/ AIMD/WPNS Assembly billet.



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Notes:

1. Per the Advancement Manual (BUPERSINST 1430.16F), advancement to AVCM requires citizenship and access to classified information prior to advancement eligibility.
2. Career enhancing billets or tours and special qualifications include: Enlisted Community Manager (ECM)/Detailing, HM-14 and HM-15, and overseas sea duty.